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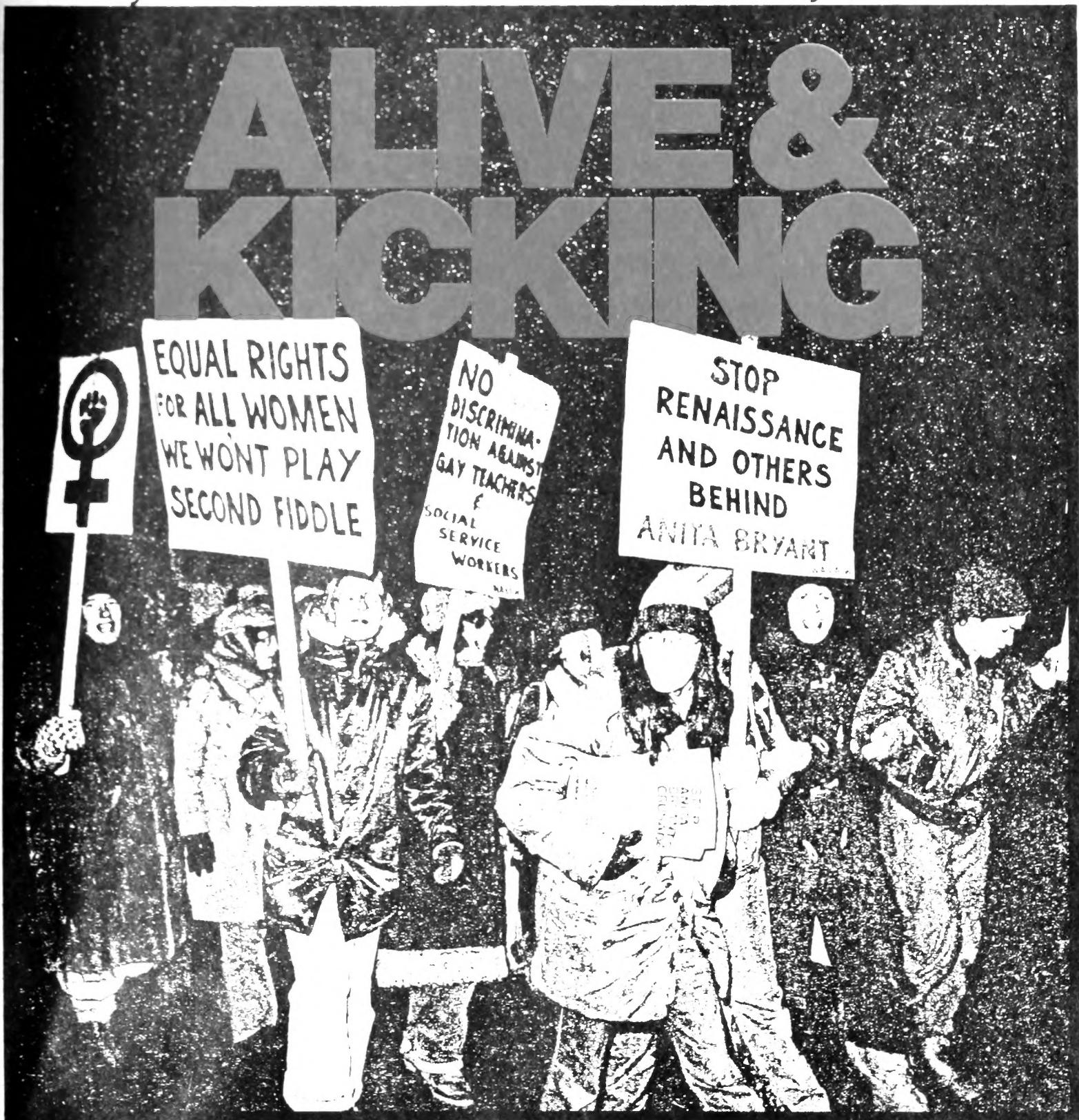
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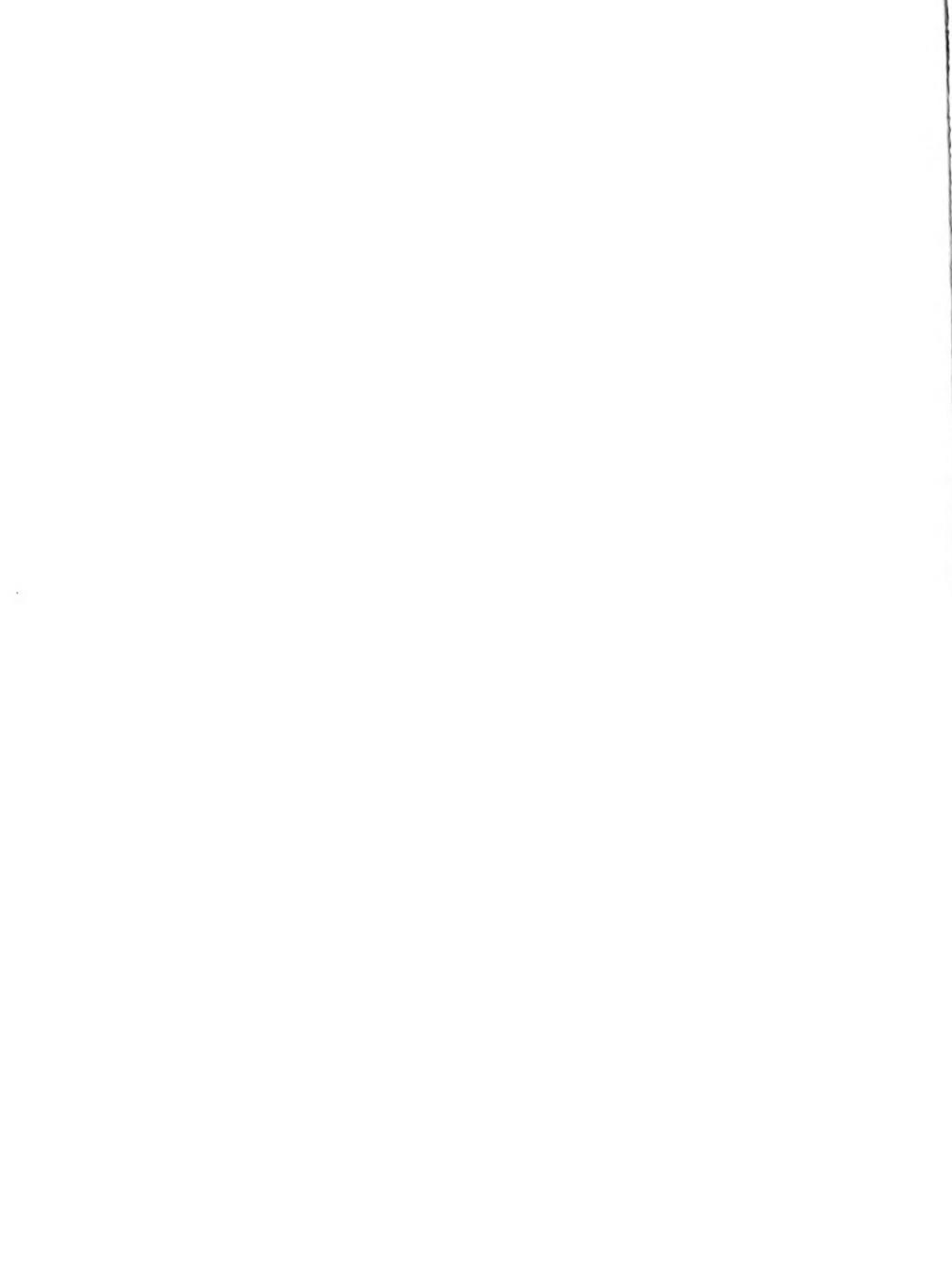
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Crisis:

In the midst of danger, a chance to unite

The Chinese word for "crisis" is composed of two characters.

One of them stands for danger. There can be no doubt that we are in the midst of a crisis. In danger. Either that, or we are experiencing the most remarkable chain of coincidences outside a Dickens novel:

- During the summer, two gay activists are arrested in Toronto for posterity, and slapped with criminal charges;
- in December, two more gay men are harassed handing out leaflets and later arrested for "loitering";
- this newspaper is raided, its files carried away by the police and its directors charged under two obscenity statutes;
- Anita Bryant comes to Toronto, preaching you know what, and promises "seed money" for any Canadian group wanting to organize to oppose gay rights legislation;
- the trial of four men accused of the sensational murder of Emanuel Jacques begins the very day she leaves;
- and finally, the Ontario legislature will soon consider the inclusion of "sexual orientation" in the anti-discrimination provisions of this province's Human Rights Code — in the atmosphere created by the above events.

We've made gains. On December 15, Quebec passed similar legislation outlawing discrimination against lesbians and gay men in housing, employment and the provision of public services (see page 4). But this move has not won general resistance in the rest of the country, especially in Ontario, where the same kind of protection seems within reach. The forces of reaction are organizing fast.

There is no doubt that we are in danger.

But the danger is not, as one might think, simply that protection for gay people may not be included in the Human Rights Code in Ontario.

The real danger is that we'll do what our opponents want us to do.

Become confused. Attack each other. Be divided.

That is clearly what is intended; the cues are there. Roy McMurtry, Attorney-General of Ontario, declares in a TV news report that publication of an article in *The Body Politic* has "set back the cause" of gay rights. One article in one paper about the lives of half-a-dozen people, he says, has jeopardized the rights of hundreds of thousands of gay men and women. And this apparently before he has even read the article. Yet some gay people jump to agree. Look more closely and you see that McMurtry has never demonstrated himself to be a friend of "the cause."

The Toronto Sun sets up a distinction between "decent" homosexuals and wild-eyed "militants" — and some homosexuals write in to agree. Read the Sun more closely. You find that in its eyes not even "decent" homosexuals deserve equal rights.

But we said that the Chinese word for "crisis" was composed of two characters.

The other character stands for opportunity.

And it's there, the opportunity to understand what's really happening, the chance to clarify issues, to renew allegiances. To fight back.

We've recently seen a remarkable example of just that. On January 14 and 15 more than a thousand people marched in the freezing cold to protest Anita Bryant's visit to Toronto. There were probably as many lesbians and feminists as gay men, and that has never happened before. The media didn't portray it that way, of course. They have always seen the battle to be the orange juice evangelist vs faggots and faggots only.

But we know otherwise. Bryant — and the organized forces behind her — are not working simply to reverse homosexual rights legislation. In the U.S. they are working hard to kill the Equal Rights Amendment, and to oppose abortion on demand. Her — their — position is quintessentially sexist: there is only one role for women, only one for men. The roles must never be mixed, never be confused: men are on top and women on the bottom. God wants it that way.

It's clear that most of us don't buy these fundamentalist notions. Gay men don't. Lesbians don't. And feminists don't. Even some straight men have begun to question whose interests are served when society is so arranged. Bryant's sexism is so gross, so obvious and so destructive that it has been relatively easy to attract a broad coalition of groups to oppose her.

But remember the name of Anita Bryant's campaign: it's called Protect America's Children. It used to be called Save Our Children. With either name one thing is clear: the issue is children. Like it or not, the way our rights interact with those of children is to be the focus of the whole messy, complicated battle that lies before us. "Children are to be

the last frontier of heterosexist bias," said *The Body Politic* in its last issue. "Damn right," replied the *Globe and Mail's* Norman Webster, demonstrating that even supposedly liberal voices in the straight press have chosen to misunderstand, and confuse what we mean with what they would like people to think we mean.

Webster probably — and Claire Hoy definitely — wants everyone to think that all gay people are after children for the purpose of forcing sex on them. They continually say that we want to get to children to "recruit" them, to "seduce" them, to "abuse," "molest" and "rape" respectable society's sons and daughters. This preoccupation with coercive sex is theirs. Not ours. Our enemies have used words like these to obscure and confuse the public.

Child/adult relations are only a small part of the issue: what few studies there are suggest that they involve less than one percent of the population, both heterosexual and homosexual. A lot more study is needed on this subject before anybody can speak about it with knowledge and certainty.

Bigots, of course, always speak with certainty. Knowledge is what we should be after, and a part of that knowledge is what *The Body Politic* was seeking when it published "Men Loving Boys Loving Men." The article was in no way meant as the last word on the subject. It's clear from community response that a lot more remains to be said.

But we shouldn't let the controversy over one article obscure our common position: no one in the gay community is interested in promoting the physical or psychological abuse of children. Coercion of a subtle and pervasive kind surrounds us all — adults and children — every day of our lives, but records clearly show that real abuse of children occurs mostly *within* the family, inflicted by parents or close relatives, for the most part shielded from either legal sanction or public view.

What we do mean when we talk about children is never going to be made clear by people like Webster and Hoy. We ourselves will have to say it again and again, in our own voices.

What we want are rights that should be extended to all people. We want the right of lesbians and gay men to be protected from firing from any job simply because of their sexual orientation. That includes jobs involving children — teaching, childcare, social work, whatever. And it also includes the right to be known to be gay, not only by co-workers, but by the children themselves. We can never back down on this.

We can't because such a concession would affirm the lie that our sexuality is dangerous to children. It would also mean we don't care how children grow up, don't care what they're taught to believe about themselves, about us, and the world around them.

The plain fact is that we do care. The plain fact is that there are gay children, and we want them — and all children — to have the right to grow up free of the sexism that has marred the lives of the present generation.

In this caring, gay men, lesbians and feminists are united. When the authorities state that no child should be told that the gay alternative is a healthy and positive one, they also mean (though they may not say), that no child should be told that the feminist alternative is a healthy and happy one. Simply because the alternatives start from the same place: the knowledge that there is not just one role for a woman, one role for a man; that people's lives should not be rigidly determined by their gender; that control of one's own body is one's own business; and that suppression of one's true identity in the interests of social conformity is a slow form of suicide. We want people to be free to grow up healthy in their sexuality and happy in their sexual orientation.

Our opponents find these ideas very dangerous.

That may be because a lot of young people themselves don't. The unity of men and women wasn't the only significant thing about the January demonstrations in Toronto: gay youth was there too, strong and loud for the first time. No one there was better qualified to challenge Bryant's attack.

Danger.

The forces arrayed against us are gaining strength. They want to turn the clock back, to put gay people back in the closet, women back in their "place" and youth even more firmly under the "protection" of adults.

And opportunity.

Lesbians and gay men, feminists and the young themselves, united and strong in the face of this threat. We've shown we can come together in a time of crisis.

The crisis is far from over. □

LETTERS

The publication of "Men Loving Boys Loving Men" and the subsequent police raid and arrests prompted more letters to the editor than any other issue in this paper's 5 history.

Curiously, we received only two letters relating to the article before December 22, when media attention became focussed on it. One was from Sarah Montgomery, founder of Parents of Gay Children, and the other from writer Hubert Kennedy. Both letters praised our decision to publish. Both were seized by the police. Mr. Kennedy has since sent a copy of his original message; it appears as the first letter below.

We have tried here to give a representative sampling of what we received over that period. There were more supportive positive messages than otherwise, but critical voices have their place in these pages. We have chosen one which represents a variety of critical response.

We have also chosen to print one anonymous letter. It represents similar letter - and phone calls - from individuals who seem not to have the courage of their convictions.

- the Collective

Many thanks to Gerald Harrington and all of you for your support to gay lovers in the December 1/January issue! In a period of growing open gayness, we need to recall that the fear of being caught and exposed realistically remains the principal concern of the boy lover. Not long ago the straight world could believe that we gays hid ourselves because we were ashamed of what we did. The ordinary gay male often shared the same fears as the lovers. We needed to confront them.

I recently had an extended visit with a German boy lover and learned to know a half dozen of his boys. Sometimes they were charming, but mostly I was bored by having to play endless games of checkers and cards or listen to records of the latest teenage idol or talk about pinball machines. But then I talked their language and got involved in all of this with them. He gave them self-confidence and helped with their school and work - and yes, they enjoyed sex.

The boys ranged from 14 to 17, but often kept in touch later. I was alone in the house one evening when an 18 year old called from another city. I had met him two years earlier when he was living with my friend in New York. I invited him to my streets and persuaded him to finish school. He told me that he was now in a teacher training program and that my friend made it all possible for him.

This association is good for these boys, who know what they are doing and freely choose it. (Two of them inquired discreetly if I were interested in "making it" with them.) My friend's faults that he is often too generous with them. For all that, I still want to find myself clinging at his door every evening when he comes home. If when? that happens, he will quietly let himself be led off to prison. It is not a question of recognition of guilt - he knows the unreasoning ignorance of the world that surrounds him. We must not be a part of that world!

Hubert Kennedy
Providence, Rhode Island

I don't have to tell you that I am appalled by what's happened during the last few weeks.

Personally, I'm extremely upset by the police over-reaction and by the threat to your very existence, let alone freedom of the press. I'm also upset by the way my enthusiasm to fight back with all the weapons at my disposal is the fact that, given the choice, I wouldn't have selected the article in question as a starting point. I don't believe that children's liberation should be a priority for the gay liberation movement. I think we will find it very difficult to defend that article in public without getting arrested. Of course, the question of sexual orientation between adults and young people should be discussed. The *Body Politic* deserves to be commended for having the courage to face the question squarely and deal with it in an honest way. But it is not an issue I would want to spend my energy on.

But, of course, that's not the issue anymore, is it? The over-reaction by the

Attorney-General and the police has caused a lot of confusion as to whether or not *The Body Politic* can survive, whether or not people have the right to subscribe to a newspaper without fear of their names being confiscated, whether or not we really do have freedom of the press in this country. Those are all issues I can identify with.

I am willing to urge you on. Good luck.
David Garmise
Ottawa

Why should a gay publication aimed at helping out 10 or 15% of the population, spend over 90% of its budget on whether some group only slightly our own? If 85 or 90% of the population is heterosexual then 85 or 90% of the pedophiles are heterosexual as well. The only two people I've known who were sexually assaulted by adults in childhood were boys molested by women. People tend to disbelieve and laugh at these experiences, but both were frightening at the time. (By the way, both boys grew up to be heterosexual.)

To paraphrase *TBP*'s masthead slogan, "The liberation of pedophiles can only be the work of pedophiles themselves." Why should guys stick out their necks for them? What have they done to them? What are they going to do to us?

The legitimation of same-sex love among adults is a far more important and accessible aim than the legitimization of adult eroticism. If the two are linked, the latter can only hinder the former. Let's not spread our efforts too thinly.

Michael Johnson
Vancouver

I appreciate a great deal your finally publishing the article "Men Loving Boys Loving Men." The debate within the Collective mirrors the debate within the gay movement itself on the approach toward youth sexuality. I'm glad you

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chose to inform us and challenge our views on young people and sex.

These days I find myself being supported in my struggles as a gay man — a welcome change. But in my support for youth's right to control his/her body, I would like to add that, in addition to sexual experience, I find myself up against strong opposition from people concerned with not rocking the boat on an emotionally charged issue. Just as our allies in the struggle for change in a sexist society can be found in the lesbian and women's movements, so too should we look to being strong, vocal and active supporters of the right of youth to control their bodies.

The challenge is to inform, and the key may be to remind others of how they felt when young. What is also required is the right and expectation that young people become actively involved in the control of their lives and the decisions affecting them. The forms of oppression and its abilities are best determined by those who experience it.

We can't drop the issue of youth sexuality. It is too important a component of our sexist society. And we can't soft-peddle it for "pragmatic" reasons. To do so is to become part of the negotiation and hindrance of an important aspect of the personalities of our younger brothers and sisters. We must find an approach on the subject that will help us to move forward progress. I hope to see more on this in *TBP*.

Keith Sherwood-Stuart

Vancouver

PS: This was not posted in December. Now it is 1978 and I reread the article and burned with anger at the news of the outright censorship and terror (as seen

by the seizure of the subscription lists). I'd like to express my solidarity with you in your part of our wide struggle.

I want to express my unmitigated support for *the paper* and the Collective, and my support in their stand for the freedom of the press and opposition to this type of repression. I also want you all to know that I think the decision to print the article was right (if not exactly expedient).

It is so important to raise consciousness about the status of the more exotic sexualities, genders, etc. Besides the music of the stigmatized groups like pedophiles, sado-masochists, transsexuals, etc., such groups are most vulnerable to attack. I have been watching with growing horror the pattern of arrests in the last year: adults charged with statutory rape in public restrooms, men being attacked by such arrests. And the worst part of it is the ambivalence of the gay and women's movements towards such people. It makes them isolated and vulnerable.

I think the brunt of Dade-County inspired repression has fallen upon people who are openly gay and clearly and unambiguously supported by the movement, people who are organizationally weak. I am increasingly inclined towards a version of Rechy's argument about the location of the front lines of contest — lovers of young people, public sex etc. And, as usual, those who speak up to defend less "legitimate" people are putting themselves on the front lines as well.

Articles like Hannan's are important ways to get the rest of us to understand our biases, so that we may better defend each other. I have always respected the political integrity of *TBP*. While the denouement is awful, the original publication of the essay was another example of the courage and political acuity of *TBP*.

Gayle Rubin
Ann Arbor, MI

Perhaps you are not aware that freedom of the press assumes that the press upholds its responsibilities like any law-abiding citizen. By publishing the article in question (which you admitted you agonized over) you have violated your duty to protect an immature and irresponsible that is shocking to me. You have a responsibility to your readers to print articles within the confines of the law. Now, by your action, you have caused exposure of your leadership to the authorities. Was this your intention all the while? Don't ask me for donations to your cause — you deserve everything that you will get. Don't get me wrong — I think the authorities that actions were justifiable for the sake of you. Only you were the instigators of this action. You egged them on.

Gay people don't seem to understand that there are other ways of getting laws changed other than breaking the law.

G. Small

Ontario

I congratulate you on the decision to publish "Men Loving Boys Loving Men." A part of the struggle for liberation for all people is the recognition that all human beings, regardless of age, are by nature sexual beings. I hope none of you are having regrets about the decision to publish. We all knew to expect increased repression, the battle lines were drawn long ago. You have my respect, love and support for the struggle ahead.

Richard Burhenne
Columbus, Ohio

I am dismayed by this action of the police, not so much from the personal point of view of what harm it may do on an individual level, but rather from the effect it will not only expandizes me, but because this action appears to be another overt attempt to break down cohesion and communications within the gay community.

TBP has impressed me very much as being a well-written, well-run, and active newspaper, and since it performs several

vital functions of information, entertainment, and communication for Canadians, I would be alarmed to see it folded up under such pressure.

Don't lose faith — we need you.

Adrian G. Walker

Courtenay, BC

I've been noting the anti-pornography campaign here with a lot of apprehension, the seizure of magazines at the border, etc. The rats on your paper, however, are not the ones to worry about. "Obscenity" is a new word, frightening in its implications. Of course, it's absurd in the first place that *The Body Politic* could be judged "obscene," except under the extraordinarily vague section 164. If you're convicted, no paper, journal or magazine in this country is safe, that is, they'll be safe if they toe the line. The atmosphere of callousness and mediocrities that this will engender is, I think, already on its way.

I've been a subscriber through several issues now; it's appropriate to thank you, individually, for your paper, especially in this current context. I'd like to thank you most for the cool rationality you bring to a subject that is difficult for us all, personally and/or socially.

The \$25.00 I've sent to your defence fund is the first donation I've made to any cause, political or otherwise.

Jim Ross

New Westminster, BC

PS. Thanks especially to Michael Riordan for "Flaunting It!" I love it.

I'm a homosexual and you're a damn fool. If you think that by publishing articles that infuriate the public and create a backlash against us you are doing us a service, you had better think again. That stupid article about teachers and Big Brothers loving boys (and glorifying them for it) has set us back seriously.

Did you think you were offering a revelation? Boy love is as old as ancient Greece and older. Yet after 2000 years the public does not condone it and you are not likely to bring about change. No parent can accept it nor would I if I had a son. You merely succeeded in putting all teachers under suspicion and have made life unpleasant for many homosexuals. Yet I'm not bringing the tools that you and your writer are, both of you, to use as weapons as knights in shining armour.

Clare Hoy is right, there is a lot about homosexuality that is repulsive and retarded. I inhabit homosexual haunts and the sight of hairy gorillas preening themselves in front of a mirror or caressing one another often makes me sick. I find boys pleasant and there is a pretty about them that makes me sick. I don't mind if they do what they do — but I certainly would not seek to foul the public up with my views in this matter.

You had better start understanding the expression "keeping a low profile."

"I'm a homosexual and you're a damn fool. We don't need noisy idiots like you to harm us. Why don't you just shut up?"

Now surprise you to know that most of us prefer to keep a low profile about our sexual preferences, and don't need noisy idiots like you to harm us. Why don't you just shut up?

In the meantime, since you profess to be outspoken and make out that you like frank and open discussion in your paper, let me set you prove that by publishing this letter which mentions you as stupid and not Clare Hoy.

Name: No, thanks.

Address: No, thanks.

I was shocked and dumbfounded at the news and am truly saddened by the im-

Quebec

Quebec adds "sexual orientation" to Human Rights Charter in precedent-setting move

Gay rights: oui!

"I think everything's been said," said Fernand Lalonde, the deputy from Marguerite Bourgeoys. "At last, everything's been said." Two deputies spoke up quickly to register dissent. Then, at ten minutes before midnight on Thursday, 15 October, the Quebec legislature, in the Parti Québécois, the Duplessis National Assembly established a precedent in North American Human Rights law: they outlawed "sexual orientation" as a basis for discrimination in employment, in housing, and in access to public services.

That moment in dark, quiet, crowded lobbying by Quebec gay organizations. A massive gay demonstration in Montreal two months earlier, hitting back at police repression, had spurred the legislators into action.

Ron Dayman, who heads the civil rights committee of the Association pour les droits des gais(es) du Québec (ADGO), was one of the ones behind a tremendous victory for gay men and lesbians everywhere. ("See his analysis of the amendment's success in the box below [Alan Bouchard, the Association's new co-chair] and spokesperson welcomed the amendment while noting that this was "only a first important step forward in the struggle ADGO has been fighting for the past year for gay civil rights.")

The amendment, which was signed

into law on December 19, means that any lesbian or gay man in Quebec has legal recourse against discrimination on the basis of her or his sexual orientation in the areas covered by the Charter. No other Canadian province or American state has adopted such broad legislation to protect its gay minority.

On 19 October, the amended Charter—one Union Nationale deputé labelled it "Bill 6"—passed thirteen months to the day after the Parti Québécois won its dramatic majority in the Assembly and altered the future of Quebec politics and Canadian politics. It followed an intensive campaign waged by the Quebec gay movement since 1974 when the first gay group in Canada proposed the Human Rights Charter without "sexual orientation" protections.

The Charter was adopted in June 1975 by then Liberal government. During the debates preceding adoption, a coalition of gay groups appeared before the parliamentary commission studying the bill. The coalition gathered support for the amendment from more than 25 unions and organizations, including the Confédération des Syndicats Nationaux (Confederation of National Trade Unions), the Centre de l'Enseignement du Québec (Quebec Teachers' Federation), and the Ligue des

Droits de l'Homme (the Human Rights League).

The Parti Québécois, at that time the opposition party, introduced an amendment to add "sexual orientation" to the Charter, but this was rejected by the Liberal caucus and therefore failed to become law.

One year later the case of Stuart Russell was taken to the new Commission. Russell, a gay militant, had been fired from his job with COJO, the committee planning for the Olympics that year, because of his political

activities. The Commission was unable to act. The Gay Coalition Against Repression (GCAR) renewed public calls for "sexual orientation" protections and took up Russell's case again. Several months later, ADGO was formed, adopting as its main objective the inclusion of "sexual orientation" in the Charter.

Since the Parti Québécois came to power, the ADGO civil rights committee has been pressuring the National Assembly, Justice Minister Marc-André Bédard, and the Human Rights Com-

mission itself. In October, ADGO presented a substantial brief to the Commission and to each deputy in the Assembly. Most of them responded immediately with this announcement that it would recommend this amendment to the bill. And on December 7, the minister presented the bill for its first reading.

Gay activists generally credited the Montreal demonstration on October 23 with bringing about the rapid passage of the amendment, which had lain dormant in the Parti Québécois program. The

whole power still seemed relatively far off. Gay rights was a progressive issue, attractive to a party seeking all the support it could find. Also, the party could count many gays among its ranks.

The ruling Liberals defeated the PQ amendment. But when the PQ came to a strong majority position, it was immediately confronted by the demands of a newly strengthened gay movement. Remember that the PQ election victory on November 15, 1976, came only two weeks after the formation of ADGO, Quebec's first gayrights organization. ADGO has never let the PQ forget its pre-election commitment.

In October 1977 the ADGO campaign reached its peak with its brief to the Commission and the National Assembly. At the same time, the first Quebec-wide gay conference and the first gay rights march in Quebec were occurring—a Quebec coalition was in the offing. We were stronger than ever.

Then, in early November, Montreal police undertook their infamous raid on the Trois, and 2,000 Montreal gays took to the street in protest. That was the turning point. The ensuing victory of the police and the masses of the protest made gay rights a public issue for the first time in Quebec. Enormous public pressure on the government forced Bédard to react.

Thus, a government which during its first term had often attempted to ignore the gay issues, and even to repress them, was obliged to wake up its own legislation or appear to anti-gay.

Within weeks of the mass demonstration, the legislation was introduced.

We in the gay movement have said if and when, and now we're proven right, gay rights will only come through public action. Public mass action which makes gay visible and which proves to the governments in power that gays are a significant force in our society, a force no longer willing to be ignored. The lobbying groundwork was important, but it was the militancy of gays in the streets which brought results.

What about the straight media in Quebec? We all know the importance of their role in the development of public attitudes.

For "development," "read" "manipulation." Nowhere is this more true than in the case of the gay rights struggle.

Whilst it's not generally favourable anywhere, media reaction does vary from region to region. The media in Vancouver and Toronto have been very supportive of gay rights in other cities such as Winnipeg and Ottawa they have largely fulfilled their responsibility to provide "objective" coverage of gay movement activities.

In Quebec, the media have never waged an anti-gay campaign. While far from sympathetic, their attitude has ranged from hostile indifference resulting in little gay coverage (particularly true of the French-language media) to total (Italian-language media) hostility and discrimination (more characteristic of the English-language media).

Thus anti-gay backlash of the kind witnessed in Toronto has been created. Here, the media have yet manufactured the "child molestation" speake.

Neither before nor during the passage of Bill 6 was there any evident opposition. The only opposing voice was that of the right-wing Crédit

party, which is traditionally anti-gay. But they hold only one seat in the Assembly.

Now, that Quebec pays their "civil rights" respects to gay people, does this mean for the gay movement in Quebec? This victory came with surprising rapidity. Is there any strategy developed for the future?

It's true that since the second annual gay conference, the one in Winnipeg in 1974, we've adopted civil rights legislation as our primary goal. Most of our energies have gone into this area. But new strategies are underway.

First, we must continue to support the victory. It's clear that even a favourable government like this one is willing to pass up the gay rights struggle as a minor, or, for that matter, to be publicly associated with it. The PQ recognized our rights, but in such a way that minimum publicity would result. Bill 88 was adopted in a late evening session with no media present, with no fanfare. The PQ sought to appear gay without appearing to be gay. We must make sure the reform is not only judicial, but also educational.

Now that the bill is adopted, we must also be vigilant in seeing that the law is enforced and that gay people make use of it. Concrete cases of discrimination will also publicize the victory, since they are more "newsworthy" than legislative enactments.

Beyond this, the adoption of the amendment will permit the movement to press other demands for legal changes: for child custody rights, for an end to police harassment, for equality under all provincial and federal laws. A particularly important campaign will seek accurate sex education programs reflecting the new human rights legislation.

One of the most important consequences of the adoption of the Charter is that gay people are now a recognized minority in Quebec law. The schools will need to recognize that too.

How is this a precedent, and what does it suggest for the future?

Approximately 15 municipalities in North America have some form of gay rights protection, and the State of Pennsylvania has provided legislative protections for its gay civilian servants. But this is the first time a state or province has granted gay citizens the same democratic rights as all other citizens, and it may well be used as a model for other provinces and the federal government of Canada to follow suit.

However, it seems unlikely that any other province will follow Quebec's lead immediately. The viciousness of the Toronto media will make the Ontario struggle particularly arduous. The other governments will probably watch Quebec carefully to see how the law is applied and if any backlash develops. Miami has shown that this is a real possibility.

Strategically, the Ontario bill follows the landmark legislation for gays in the 1960's. This amendment must be considered that of the 1970's. This time it was a victory brought about by gay people themselves.

As we approach the 1980's and the second decade of the modern gay movement, we'll have to consolidate these gains and carry the struggle to new levels. □

Bill 88

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Toronto

Women, gays and youth unite in protest

Bigots import Bryant

"It's an historic night! Look around you — never before in Toronto have we seen so many lesbians and feminists come together with gay men to confront our common enemy."

The speaker was Natalie LaRoche, of the Lesbian Organization of Toronto, addressing a massive January 14 rally organized to protest the appearance of Anita Bryant in Toronto. The orange juice crusader had agreed to speak at the Toronto People's Church (and the Canadian media) the next day.

To anyone familiar with the progress of the gay movement, the presence of so many women among the organizers of the event and in the audience was overwhelming. Three banners framed the stage: "Women Against Racism," "Against Violence Against Women," and "Lesbians for Wages for Woman's Work." There was no doubt of the importance of what was happening under the threat of Anita Bryant's Canadian crusade.

Bryant's husband Bob Green complained in the Toronto papers that "the homosexual community is using Anita Bryant as a lightning rod to unite the people." While the word "gay" falsely implies that it was gay people, not local evangelicals, who brought Bryant here, it is true that her presence served as a focus for gay and feminist anger. The coalition formed to organize against Bryant was the most broadly-based, politically diverse collection of gay, lesbian, and feminist groups yet seen in this country. The early rally demonstrations they put together were the largest gay events ever held in English Canada.

The weekend also marked the first major political intervention by organized gay youth. One of the city's newest and largest gay groups, Gay Youth Toronto, was conspicuous not only at the rally and in the march but also during the organizing. Their slogan of "the organization of your equality and of your right to control their own sexual and social lives provided a direct challenge to the 'save our children' cry of Bryant's crusade."

The events of the anti-Bryant weekend were the result of less than four weeks of preparation. It was the middle of December when a small newspaper first gave notice of Bryant's impending visit, and the organizing began. At the beginning of January Bryant was being invited at a cost of \$5,000 by Renaissance International to launch a cross-Canada "Christian Liberation Crusade" beginning at the People's Church in Toronto on January 15. Renaissance president Ken Campbell also announced plans for further Bryant rallies in other Canadian cities over the next six months.

The first meeting of the gay community to plan for Bryant's visit occurred on December 29. On the same day, Mel Lastman, mayor of suburban North York, announced plans to award Anita Bryant a medal for "her crusade against homosexual activists," and on the next day the office of *The Body Politic* was raided by the police (see story page 8). Obviously, the ability of the gay com-

Resistance

Sister Maxine Feldman... she bailed herself. "Our Woman of Perpetual Perversion... Came up from Boston... out of work, to sing. And sang I want you to know I'm proud of being DAMN PROUD OF BEING A LESBIAN."

Mark Market, co-purchaser/host to a farmers market Scotch dancing, a craft show, too, though artsy bric-a-brac abuzz with over a thousand dykes and faggots, many (not yet enough) of us with our kids along, swelling the hall with cheers, lurching to hit the streets.

Above least. A flick. Desperately needed after the Sun's Christmas cards of hate, the Attorney General's press conference and Needed to prepare the media, occurring use of objectives as fails to touch us again when they report the Queen's hat.

Pig Murphy, here off the hour. Out of work, too, since being fired for opposing violence against women. Leading the multitude through the program as if we were channelling a meeting of the early days of CHAT.

Tonight, Women's Day demonstration. Ken Campbell's People's Church wants the church to thumbs the thumbs up. As he means Religion, Reaction, and Repression... Or, noting that the media liberals had impeded us all to ignore Mrs. Green's visid... ignore Anita Bryant is like trying to ignore syphilis. The longer you ignore it, the worse it gets."

Theatrics. Thanks to Heather Ramsay's verbatim renditions of that Penthouse interview, Mrs. Green's apocalyptic predictions of an imminent Armageddon, oral sex when the tongue tried to stimulate the female clitoris producing an orgasm, and the discharge is eaten... Before discharging her own off key battle hymn, Mrs. Green testified how she "learned to" add sizzle to my marriage through prayer, submission, and black lace garterbelts.

She'd been introduced by Michael Riordan's sugar-nazi Ken Campbell: "We're here to talk about morality, capitalism, morality, as in... God squared Florida orange juice. And friends, most important, we're here to talk about godliness, capital-G godlessness, as in... 'mankindness' is next to godliness, and 'womanliness' — well, that's right behind manliness." (Hissss, booo!) "Thank you, thank you."

The mark turned into a camping trip, with the participants being asked to sing hymns and shout from the audience. Too... lesbian... she awarded the Good Housekeeping Seal of Approval, and she asked a gay male: "Do you despise yourself, brother? Yes, yes, on was to prostrate Anita. That's all we ask!"

Throughout the evening, a recurrent theme: the social disease of born-again bigotry.

Immunity to organized resistance, and rally support quickly went to be put to the test.

The initial meetings were large, tumultuous and characterized by the expression of widely differing viewpoints. Nevertheless, at a January 3 meeting of over 200 people, a program of action and a list of nine demands were democratically hammered out.

Four coordinating committees were formed on the spot and people were chosen to organize a Saturday evening

Television has been one of Bryant's most effective weapons, and we saw here how her forces carefully engineer its use. Taping of her appearance on Global's *Point Blank* occurred under heavy security — in a police station.

Bryant's tapes, which always seem to stretch her two day tour into a full week, "fresh" broadcast material. That's known.

The press loved the divide-and-conquer tactic. Especially the *Globe* which, through "news stories" and Dick Seddles' column, urged gays to avoid Bryant.

Although reporters liked to twist the "Gree-

nes" profitably, editors submitted this to news supporting her crusade. They lawned over



St. Lawrence Market echoes to the shouts and applause of over 1,000 women and men

Many dykes. Forthright support from the Women's Counselling Centre. Evacuations of Martin Luther King by Brent Hawkes

Sanctimony from Franco Wyman. Careful analysis from Debra Curtis of Women Against Violence as she surveyed the comprehensiveness

anti-women and anti-human views espoused by Renaissance International and Fisher's of Men.

Much music from Bea Watson, from Lee Schrap-

shire. Tim Guest pointing out that the two cops who, the night before, had arrested members of

Gay Youth Toronto for leafletting for this rally — those very cops were present in the rear of the hall. The audience turns, shouting, "out! out! out!" Tim... those of you think that police harassment of gay youth is just another attack... well, take another look..."

Riotousness towards the end... into the streets, into the streets... and finally pouring

through the south doors into the subfreezing cold (what fool would plan a demo for Ontario in January?) or what greater fool would invite the Greens here thinking the cold would keep us quiet? eight or nine hundred of us now, walking along King Street past McMurtry office with massive shouts: "Defend The Body Politic,

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On the night, weather colder, North York, heading east. Five hundred of us in a long circle across Sheppard Avenue from the residence of the People's Church plant. "Globe's" show-off bus inside (plaguing Christando.), mixed welcomes outside when buses from the subway delivered mademoiselles (cheers) along with more evangelicals. (TC buses stop at the People's front door.) One young born-again intoned in the marchers: "Jesus is lord, Jesus is lord."

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by Michael Lynch □



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rally to march for democracy, Toronto and a protest outside the People's Church in North York for Sunday.

The most difficult task was faced by the committee set up to organize the Saturday evening rally. Coordinated by Chris Bearclaw, the group was responsible for the presentation of twelve speakers, three women singers and three skills by the Gay Offensive television collective.

The organizing efforts were not without incident. On the night before the rally

Drop All Charges, and Women and Gays and Children Unite. Same Struggle, Same Fight.

Exuberance. Women in the lead, hundreds of women, and a surprising absence (or cautious suppression) of visible antihomophobia among the hundreds of gay men experiencing lesbian love and sisterhood for the first time.

Tearing north on Yonge Street, snow now

sitting down. Up the slow hill carved between empty office towers that echoed the chairs, up towards Dundas. Massive bus, at each of the

sexuality movie houses on the Strip. As we passed the building in which Emanuel Jacques was horribly murdered, one marcher softly to himself: "We're stronger now, we won't let them print this kind of shit in our paper."

Through the night, the gaymen gather to Wesle... (The Parkside management locked its doors to keep us from sending in scurts, but several bar regulars escaped to cheer us on outside. Back down to Eason's, where a gaggle of male punks taunted us as we broke up, and cops were heard muttering insults under their blue breaths.)

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Two men from the Gay Youth Group, Ralph Lesser and David McLean, were harassed by police for handing out rally leaflets on Yonge Street. Police later followed Lesser and McLean to the Parkside Tavern and arrested them there for "loitering."

Community response on the night of the rally was even greater than expected.

Despite temperatures which hovered around -10° C., people came out in massive numbers. The 800 char set up

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The Greening of the Media

At the airport, the Greens said the Toronto press had been good to them, unlike the US press which had not.

The media made Bryant's visit, and made it impossible for us to ignore it. No other minor songster receives two large, sympathetic stories from Tom Harper at the Star and a full colour front page photo in the Sun (which dubbed Sunday "Anita's Day").

The anti-gays in Renaissance know how to feed the media. Several "news" stories were barely altered Renaissance press releases.

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Pink Triangle directors slapped with obscenity charges

TBP raided & charged

On Friday, December 30 at 5 pm, four officers of the Metropolitan Toronto Police and one Ontario Provincial Police officer entered the office of *The Body Politic* to make a search warrant. The warrant authorized the officers to search for "corporate records, invoices and documents pertaining to business operations" which would afford evidence relevant to charges which might be laid under Section 164 of the Criminal Code of Canada: "use of the mails for the purpose of transmitting or delivering any obscene, indecent, immoral or sordidious."

The raid followed hard on the heels of a media barrage conducted by the *Toronto Sun* and Claire Hoy, a columnist with the paper.

Ed Jackson, long-time collective member and secretary of Pink Triangle Press, was in the office when the police arrived.

"They went through the office with a fine-tooth comb for 3 1/2 hours," he said. "By the time they left, they had filled twelve large shipping boxes with documents and records. They took subscription lists dating years into the past, distribution and advertising records, corporate and financial records (even our cheque book), circulation figures and advertising manuscripts for publication letters to the editor, all copies of *The Joy of Gay Sex*, *The Joy of Lesbian Sex* and *Loving Man* that were on the premises. All these books are on sale elsewhere in the city. They opened mail both personal and business, went throughout our photo file... It seemed like everything we needed to continue publication walked out the door."

During the search, lawyer Clayton Ruby, who had been called to the scene by Jackson, offered the police the admission of any evidence which they might request relating to the charges pending in order to prevent seizure of other vital material.

The offer was refused.

"They were intent upon taking away as much as possible," Jackson says. "It was an obvious attempt to terrorize the readers of a newspaper by seizing its subscription list."

According to Ruby, all the police needed to press charges was a copy of the paper and proof that we distributed it. Proof of distribution could have been obtained from the post office.

The police also went through the holdings of the Canadian Gay Archives. Files from the Archives special section of early *Body Politic* records were taken from the office, along with the current material seized. The Archives is a member in good standing of TAAG — Toronto Area Archivists Group, and James Fraser, the gay archives co-ordinator, reports that several TAAG members are very concerned that police can enter an archive and look through material unrelated to charges before it is seized.

"We are asking TAAG to write a letter of complaint to the Attorney General," said Fraser. "We've also contacted the Association of Canadian Archives and asked them to do the same thing."

Collective members felt that it was significant that the raid occurred when it did. "They arrived at 5 o'clock on a Friday before a long weekend," said Jackson. "And that meant that we could walk out of here with everything and spend the next four days going over it. We couldn't even begin legal manoeuvres to quash the warrant until the world got back to normal after New Years, and that was the following Tuesday."

Ruby feels that the search warrant



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used during the raid was illegal under Canadian law because it was so broad that they allowed the seizure of almost anything on the premises," he said.

Ruby has initiated an action in the Supreme Court of Ontario to quash the warrant and demand the return of everything taken in the raid.

However, because of the backlog of cases due to appear before the court, TBP's quash order may not be heard until March 7. The paper will be forced to operate without most of its records until that time. If the quash order is unsuccessful, the police can keep all

materials until the trial is over.

On January 5, charges under Sections 159 and 164 of the Criminal Code were laid by the Crown Attorney against Pink Triangle Press, the non-profit publisher of *The Body Politic*, and against the officers of the corporation: president Ken Popert, secretary Edward Jackson and treasurer Gerald Hannon.

Both charges carry a maximum sentence of five years.

The titles of president, secretary and treasurer exist to fulfill legal requirements of Pink Triangle's status as a non-profit corporation. They have little effect

on day-to-day operations, however. *The Body Politic*, the Gay Archives and the press itself are collectively run, with decisions made democratically by the people actually involved in the work.

Section 159 of the Criminal Code relates to the possession of obscene material (or the purpose of distribution).

The item charged under the section was Dr. Mark Freedman's *Harvey Milk: The Man in Gay Male* and *Loving Man*. The book was altered for safe storage in the book service of Pink Triangle Press.

Loving Man had previously been cleared by Canada Customs as not being "immoral or indecent."

Charges under Section 164 relate to publication of the article "Men Loving Boys/Loving Girls" in the January 16, 1973 issue of the paper.

Gerald Hannon, author of the article about child/adult relationships which appears to have displeased the authorities, read a prepared statement during the January 5 press conference.

"Pedophilia is a taboo topic," he said, "and I suppose that one can be expected to be pilloried for opening discussion on the topic. But I insist without reservation that my article does not charge and an subsequent trial, do nothing more than demystify the topic of pedophilia and make it one that responsible men and women can discuss without fear. The article in question will have served its purpose."

Hannon, Jackson and Popert made a brief court appearance on January 27. Trial date was set for June 26.

MESSAGE TO SUBSCRIBERS

"It took about a week of hard work," said Keith Sly, TBP's subscription manager, "to put together a partial subscription list based on files the police hadn't seized. But it did."

Sly emphasized that any subscriber who had to purchase this issue at the newsstand should let us know.

"We're happy to put them back on the list," he said.

Classified advertisers who paid for an ad but didn't see it in this issue should also get in touch. □

Deja vu: August '72

The July/August 1972 issue of *The Body Politic*, contained an article by Gerald Hannon called "Of Men and Little Boys."

The third week in August was Gay Pride Week, the first time Canadian lesbians and gay men had had a period of visibility and celebration.

The article, written by Ken Popert, asked: "On August 23, Kenneth Battista, a columnist with the *Quebec and Mail*, questioned the allocation of \$14,000 in public money to the Community Homophile Association of Toronto (CHAT). At that time, several TBP collectives members were also members of CHAT."

On August 26, *The Globe and Mail* editorialized on the issue, and asked whether police action would be taken against the newspaper or author.

On the same day, the same editorial in the *Toronto Star* ("No open season on children") warned that it had the right in amending the 1969 Criminal Code amendments, and suggested that the Attorney General consider laying criminal charges against TBP.

On August 28, *The Toronto Sun*, noting that the city had just endured Gay Pride Week, suggested that criminal action should be considered against *Body Politic*, and that "the federal government should withdraw support from CHAT."

Sounds familiar? Same topic, same author, same issue. The difference is that the government difference—legitimacy charges versus contempt fast.

"This time," said Ed Jackson, a collective member since TBP's second issue, "nobody's demanding that the new rights granted by the 1969 Criminal Code amendment—the right to consensual sex in private if you're over 21—be revoked. The gay movement has brought up



white issue so far that nobody would dare suggest that now."

"Divide and conquer" is not working as well this time. "Five years ago the community was represented by CHAT," said Brian Mossop of the Guy Alliance, "but now there are over 100 organizations to dissociate themselves from The Body Politic. This is happening now. Organizations are stronger, and there are a lot more of them. People see the difference between one article—which they may disagree with—and a newspaper whose combined existence they feel is vitally important." □

Why?

Over the past month, many people have asked why The Body Politic took the risk of publishing such a controversial article as "Men Loving Boys Loving Men." Gerald Hanson reflects on the question below.

Most people who asked me this question concerned whether or not I thought that an article on child/adult relationships was an appropriate topic given the fact that Bryant was coming to town with her highly emotional "Protect America's Children" crusade, that the Jaques murder trial was about to begin, that "sexual orientation" was about to be debated in the legislative legislature.

But the people who mounted these arguments for get that the issue was never to press long before anyone knew new Bryant was coming to town, went to press when it appeared the Jaques trial would not begin until the issue was wading off the stands and the media was completely silent two days before Christmas that silence was broken. In his December 22 Toronto Sun column, Claire Hoy expressed outrage that "Our taxes help promote abuse of children." Hoy was referring to two \$1500 Arts Council grants received by The Body Politic. He went on to describe the article in question as "Moral garbage," and added that Hoy "had nothing but contempt" for the article, however, excusing himself by saying "It would be inappropriate here in a family newspaper to repeat the words of these child abusers."

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The media: making news happen

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On the CTV's national news for next night Attorney-General Michael McMurtry spoke flatly that publication of the article could "set back the cause" — presumably meaning the inclusion of sexual or orientation in the Human Rights Code, a cause which McMurtry had been opposed to the day that McMurtry was appointed by the prime minister to the attorney general's office — whether he had or not is not stated.

The same night on the local City-TV news, Claire Hoy said that he had spoken to provincial cabinet ministers, including the Premier, about The Body Politic and had urged action against the paper. Two days later the Sun reported that York Crown Attorney had been consulted by the Metroייה squashed on the possibility of trying Bryant for "gross indecency."

That's probably why Bryant was arrested — the police had occurred at 5pm the same day.

A press conference held by The Body Politic the next day was well attended and received prominent coverage on CBC TV's national news. Radio coverage over the next few days was also extensive and tended to focus on Bryant as an attack on the gay press. Newspaper stories which appeared over a weekend.

Descriptions of the article also changed as more people in the media actually read it, rather than news reports of it. References to sex acts between adults and young boys, one only between adults and women, another between adults and men.

As the Toronto Star's reporter at the Ontario legislature, Claire Hoy has used her regular Queen's Park column many times to launch attacks on "the queen" and "queens." (We generally pay tribute to the standard media convention of referring to women as "queens" in political contexts.) Before joining the Sun staff he was a public relations copywriter for the progressive Conservative Party. A position he came to learn the Tarts Star, where he had been a columnist. The Star lived in Hoy in October 1974 after he accused the paper of anti-Conservative bias in reporting all that year's federal election.

Though Hoy may be best known for his anti-gay diatribes, "stick legs" — are certainly not his only target. He has also been critical of the gay rights movement, has upset women's groups and retail managers with his comments on it. A recent item in Ontario House Speaker Jack Stokes described Hoy as a "tyrant" for banning calls from the legislative chamber. When Hoy, called in hand in the press gallery, was informed of the Speaker's ruling he snapped, "Well, I'll have him he can sweep it up his ass." Stokes had him ejected. Reporting on the event, a more circumspect columnist suggested that perhaps Hoy intended the Speaker to find a place for his ruling, "where the son doesn't live."



Gerald Hanson, author of "Men Loving Boys Loving Men," answers questions after the press conference.

seven" became less common, some papers even began referring to "loving relationships," "Gillian Citizens" and "loving relationships" were supposed to be the need to discuss child adult relationships, and in the January 4 *Globe and Mail*, Joanne Kates questioned the need for the police to seize subscription lists in order to charge the paper. On reflection, many journalists seemed to realize that the attack on The Body Politic could have implications affecting their own freedom to report on controversial issues.

The conception of the issue, the Sun's *Outrageous charges* were laid, that paper declared in an editorial entitled "Deep sorry" that the idea of the police raiding having anything to do with freedom of the press was "bold-faced."

The Body Politic itself was dismissed as "a crummy, dirty publication without a redeeming feature." □

themselves will have more to say on the issue than will women.

But it's an astian: And we don't dare stop Bryant won't, and neither will Claire Hoy. They want to keep the topic mysterious and frightening and useful. We want to look and understand.

The question is not why we began that investigation when we did.

The real question is why it provoked such violent reaction.

We wanted it to be a device to impede the real advances being made by gay people. The Ontario Human Rights Commission wants to see "sexual orientation" in the

Human Rights Code. The Quebec legislature recently passed similar legislation. Recent polls have shown a majority of Canadians favour such protection.

To counter such positive steps, certain elements in the press and elsewhere who oppose human rights to gay people are swarming around.

And we've been battered.

But we can't fight back.

In a planning session held weeks before the police raid closed down on our office, we had decided that there would be three directions for the year in the pages of The Body Politic: youth, feminism and

realismism. Our mind's haven't changed. Neither has the situation.

This year, expect articles by and about gay young people, gay teachers, gay social workers, gay parents, gay students. We want to explore what it means to be growing up as a lesbian or gay, how adult gay men and women are relating to gay and non-gay children; how we should respond to those who say we have no place at all in the lives of young people.

It's fighting back with the weapon they're most afraid we'll use.

The truth. □

Support: loud and strong

"Support from the gay community" — these come from Bryant's lawyer, the attorney general, the police, the media and so forth. So probably the major reason why The Body Politic has been able to continue publishing after only a three week delay," says TBP office manager Rick Beddoe.

Donations to the legal defence fund have already gone past \$12,000," he continued. "That's a long way from the \$30,000 or so we'll probably need to fight this thing, but it's certainly a good start."

Sunday was witness to mega parades and organizations who save this almost unprecedented police search and seizure as a distasteful attack on the freedom of the press. Among signs of a heavy turnout, a Statement of Concern addressed to the Attorney General were Douglas Marshall, editor of Books in Canada, Canadian Journal of Communications editor Earl Beattie, Barrie Zwicker, editor of

Content, and Professor Fred Zemans of Osgoode Hall Law School.

Jure Cathwood, host of CBC-TV's "In Touch," came to the rescue two days after the raid. Peter Bertin and Charles Templeton defended the police actions during one of their radio dialogues, and Heather Reisman of the Periodical Writers Association of Canada stated that "we are concerned that the actions taken against The Body Politic threaten all writers." Sheryl Taylor-Manning, executive director of the Canadian Periodicals Publishers' Association, attended the rally and called for a moratorium to voice the concerns of that organization.

Eight members of the Toronto City Council also expressed their "extreme concern" to McMurtry in a letter sent January 10. Anne Johnston, David White, Janet Howard, Pat Sheppard, John Sewell, Allan Sparrow, Dan Head and Richard Gilbert called on the Attorney General to "direct the police to immediately return all materials taken from The Body Politic that are not directly needed as evidence."

Messages of support were also received from the editor of *Excalibur*, the student paper at York University, the Student Union of the Faculty of Library Science at the University of Toronto, the Canadian Civil Liberties Association, and the Canadian Press Trust League.

Support from the gay community is seen as essential to the success of the case.

"Some people have expressed reservations about our political alliance with the gay community," says Bryant, "but we're in a minority that others are highly critical of the content of the article itself. But even most of those have deplored the police raid and stand by our right to publish." No where was this support more evident than at the rally and demonstrations against Anita Bryant in Toronto on January 10. GARE Edmonton quickly raised \$3000 to defend and release Bryant, and the group raised \$1000 to support the rally.

Advocacy groups and individuals from across the country joined in the protest. The Gay Rights Coalition, Windsor Gay Unity, a number of other groups and many individuals across the country.

Groups outside Canada were also quick to

respond. It is estimated that the legal costs in the defense of the raid charges could run as high as \$200,000. And that's just Gerald Hanson, a member of the collective and all the accrued," is assuming that the case is likely to straightforward and no new charges are laid.

Bryant has always insisted before the public and raising money is needed to keep the walls of The Body Politic Free. The Press Fund, organized by a group of supporters working with the TBP collective, Money donated to the fund is to be administered by Lynn King and Lynn King's Body Politic Free the Press Fund, and mailed to Corinne King, 111 Richmond Street West, Suite 202, Toronto, Ontario M5H 1A1.

responsible. The US National Gay Task Force sent a message of concern two days before charges were laid, and in New York the Gay Activists Alliance picked by Canadian Consulate in protest. On January 24, newly elected San Francisco Mayor Dianne Feinstein organized a gathering of more than 100 people to support TBP with donations, subscriptions and even a possible tourist boycott of English Canada. A demonstration in support of the paper was held in Los Angeles the same day. On January 27 concerned gays in London, England, picked Canada House. A letter of protest to the Canadian High Commission in London is also being drafted. □



Demonstrators during the 1,000-strong anti-Bryant march January 14 made "Defend The Body Politic" one of nine demands. Aright, Pink Triangle Press lawyer Clay Ruby.



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Peterborough

Trent vote backs funding for gays

In a referendum held Nov. 24 and 25, students at Trent University in Peterborough voted by a large majority to support a proposal which would have given \$10,000 for the Trent Homophile Association.

According to the final tally made by the Trent Student Union, 336 students voted for the cutoff and 914 voted against it. The total number of votes cast represented 50.4% of the student body, a large turnout for a student vote.

The referendum became necessary after 200 students signed a petition demanding the cutoff. Under the Trent Student Union constitution, that was enough (more than 10% of the student body) to force a vote on the question.

The petition was initiated by history student Don McIsaac. McIsaac said he was concerned that the funds were going to organizations with non-student members. His petition read:

"Whereas funds from the Trent Student Union have been used for both politically and sexually oriented groups with an operating membership that includes non-Trent students; and whereas I am a member of Trent University, I submit this petition and do continue it immediately."

McIsaac said his cutoff proposal was aimed at live campus organizations, of which the Trent Homophile Association was just one. However, none of the other four had been allotted funds by the student union.

McIsaac was taken to claim that he was being misrepresented as an anti-homosexual bigot and that his real concern was the granting of funds to groups with off-campus members. However, some students said they were asked by McIsaac to sign the petition "to keep the laggots from getting money."

As a result of his campaign with homoseexual activities, the circulation of the McIsaac petition was carried out quietly, with no publicity. Although it began to circulate early in October, Trent Homophile Association members did not find out about it until October 27.

Lee Shropshire, a nonassociation mem-

ber, called a meeting of the group to discuss the petition and impending referendum. Out of that meeting was born the Coalition for Freedom of Association, a group which included

students, faculty and off-campus people,

gay and straight. The coalition formed around the following statement:

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by Ken Popkin □

to The Christian Right/Wing-intrigue

To the outside observer, the Trent referendum cannot be tied up into a neat, self-contained package. Instead, troublesome issues endures, loose ends which lead right off the campus and into the offices of local churches and right-wing political groups.

THE CHURCHES

At the same time that McIsaac was gathering signatures on his petition, Aslak Shearer, a member of the Trent Christian Fellowship, was drawing up for presentation to his fellows a viewpoint statement on homosexuality. The statement predictably characterized homosexuality as "an abomination" and noted that homosexuals deserved to be killed.

Alemed to Shearer's document, THA contacted Christian Fellowship president Tom Dyer. Dyer is to take a position on his group's bid to adopt a statement on homosexuality because it was under "immense pressure" from parents, priests, ministers and religious groups across the province to do so.

Shearer's effort was not accepted by the TCF member ship, who voted it down and adopted a less crudely worded statement of the same kind. But the fact that Dyer referred to pressure from across the province to do so is telling. It makes one wonder what groups across Ontario would all suddenly decide that Trent Christian Fellowship had to have a position on homosexuality — the McIsaac petition was not yet



THA members, left to right, Shaelagh McGillivray, Lee Shropshire, Philip Hannan.

it is to hold membership in groups that the students can provide.

"They have the same demanding rights for

politically and sexually oriented groups

"All Trent students pay ancillary fees and there are all Trent student groups. They have the right to approach the student government to seek a return on the students' investment."

The coalition's strategy for the referendum campaign was to go two-fold: to seek support from and publicize its statement on the referendum and to hammer home the point that the vaguely worded McIsaac proposal could be used against many campus groups, not just the ones he singled out.

Throughout the campaign, the coalition kept the initiative with its public campaign strategy. Its members took part in two public meetings called to discuss McIsaac's proposal, and won both debates.

It sought and secured support from student organizations, faculty members (65 out of 68 approached endorsed the statement) and administrators (one person, Abbie Sander, who was asked to endorse the petition) as well.

The coalition also encouraged favorable responses from the student government of three of Trent's five constituent colleges. The other two remained neutral in the campaign.

Money for the coalition's campaign was raised by a two-night benefit to which entertainers donated their talents. About \$2,000 was raised.

Money, in contrast, was never able to mount a real campaign, although he did receive a donation of \$100 from an off-campus Roman Catholic Church source.

News of their overwhelming victory came to the members of the coalition as they sat in a pub. Says a member of the Trent Homophile Association: "We didn't really feel any sense of victory. We were tired. We just went home and went to bed."

by Ken Popkin □

public knowledge. If Oyer's statement is to be taken at face value, it would appear that he was contacted as part of a province-wide campaign to mobilize religious organizations against gays.

THE RIGHT

In the midst of the referendum campaign, Trent Student Union president Michael Munro, who had already agreed to sign a cheque to turn over to Trent Homophile Association money which had already been voted to it by the student union, TSU treasurer Justin Chu, who had already signed the cheque supported the action by removing his signature. Despite threats of impeachment from the student union, the two continued to hold back the funds until the referendum was held.

Chu, however, Lee Shropshire that he and Munro had acted on the advice of University senator Samuel Murphy.

Shropshire complained about Murphy's interference in Trent University president Thomas Nind's affairs and said that, when questioned, Murphy had denied speaking to Chu.

The missing pieces in this small puzzle are these. Murphy is a prominent member of the local Progressive Conservative party, having been elected in the light to the upcoming federal nomination. He is also believed to be a member of Renaissance Peterborough. Gordon Montreal is a member of the Young Progressive Conservatives. □

Ontario

Rights Commission loses pro-gay members

The appointment of Dorothy Crittenden as incoming chairwoman of the Human Rights Commission has sparked a bairing of criticism from concerned human rights groups and has led to the resignation of one commissioner.

Crittenden, and three new commissioners were appointed in January following a decision by four commissioners to resign. Crittenden, a civil servant since 1937, has been Deputy Minister of Community and Social Services for four years. Criticism has been leveled at the political nature of the appointment of a long-time civil servant to this sensitive post just before the Ontario Human Rights Code, as proposed by the government, came into effect in the Ontario Star that he couldn't recall "a tremor of irascible independence about Ministry (of Community and Social Services) policies" and pointed out that the Ministry is an administrative organization, the Deputy Minister is responsible for the responsibilities of the ministry and "people don't work. Why should Human Rights inherit what Social Services has disregarded?"

Outing Chairperson Dr. Thomas Symons had earned praise and respect during his three year tenure. Though Symons would not comment publicly on his departure from the Commission, Rev. Bruce Moore, a former member of the commission, in a letter to the Premier, he stated that "there will be many... who will be alarmed and disheartened by the appointment... and I am afraid that I find myself among them." Both McLeod and Symons were seen as strong personal supporters of the "sexual orientation" amendment.

Of the other members of the Commission, in recommending it in support that sexual orientation be added to the Human Rights Code, only four remain: Bromley Armstrong and Judge Rosalie Abella, who asked to be reappointed, and Esie Chilton and Stan Giroux, whose terms have not expired.

The three new commissioners, all men, were appointed recently. Paul Lewis, appointed from Brandon, C. Purcell of Ottawa told the Globe and Mail, "Honest to God, I don't know what my functions are. I'm not sure how much I'm getting," and is quoted in the Toronto Star as saying "It is good for the clergy to be involved in the real world." Appointed Rabbi Gunter Plaut of Toronto told the Globe "I know nothing about the job yet, but I think the idea is a great one." Dr. Bhauashok Patel, an East Indian educated in Canada, the new appointee who has been active in human rights.

The Commission's recommendations are currently under review by the Cabinet. Legislative action is expected this spring.

by Lily Wood □

Education trustees support gay rights

Toronto's 26 trustees of the Board of Education have unanimously voted to support the inclusion of (among other things) sexual orientation in the Human Rights Code.

"The Board of Education for the City of Toronto endorses the recommendations (of the Ontario Human Rights Commission) regarding changes in the Ontario Human Rights Code regarding education and in particular the proposed revision in the Ontario Human Rights Code which increases the grounds on which discrimination would be prohibited."

Dan Leckie, Board Chairperson, stated that "We feel it is a fine report and should be implemented as soon as possible." □

Toronto

Two get stiff sentence for posterity

On November 21, 1977 two members of GATE were fined \$300 and sentenced to seven days in jail by a Toronto court for posting anti-gay posters. The two men had been convicted on charges of wilful damage. Outside the court building members of GATE picketed to protest police harassment designed to deny gays the communication vital to a healthy gay community. Both conviction and sentence are being appealed.

David Foreman and Bob Schisler were arrested on July 18, 1977 while putting up posters for a gay dance and a protest march against Bryan. They were originally to be charged with unlawfully distributing handbills. When they were taken to police headquarters, the charges were changed to wilful abuse and the charge was changed to wilful damage under the Criminal Code. Foreman was forced to stand while in police custody.

The two appeared before Provincial Court Judge Robert Oneper. Despite conflicting evidence on the extent of the posterizing and the nature of the offense, Justice Oneper accepted testimony of the police officers over that of the two accused. A notificial of the post office indicated that it cost \$73,500 to remove the posters by steam heating to avoid damaging the paint.

Foreman and Schisler demonstrated the posters could easily be removed in minutes with hot water and soap.

GATE spokesman James Messop stated that "The real issue is whether gays, who are denied access to other public channels of communication in the media, will be allowed to communicate with each other in the gay community."

by Robin Hardy □

Murder trial jury chosen

On January 16, jury selection began for the Supreme Court trial of four men charged with the murder of 12 year old Emanuel Jaques. The boy's body was found wrapped in drapes in a room of a Yonge Street house in North York on July 1.

Accused, Saul Batech, 27, Robert Kribes, 29, Josef Woles, 26, and Werner Gruener, 29, face sentences of life imprisonment if convicted and will have to serve twenty five years before being eligible for parole.

The death of Emmanuel Jaques attracted widespread anti-gay publicity last summer. Describing the boy's murder with variations on the theme of "homosexuals are devils" homophobe journalists and newspapers have attempted to use the murder to engineer "public sentiment" against the gay movement. The murder and attendant publicity followed closely the Ontario Human Rights Commission's recommendation that people should be protected from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

The trial will last from six to eight weeks. Four days were taken to select twelve jurors from a panel of 300 prospective jurors. Jury selection has been followed by two weeks of voir dire to determine what evidence is admissible, and the actual trial is expected to begin the second week of February.

Defence lawyers asked a dozen questions of each juror concerning their knowledge of Emanuel Jaques, his possible connections to the people involved in it, and whether the fact that one or more of the accused worked at a gay bar parlour or was a homosexual might affect their ability to judge fairly and impartially. Most said that it would not. One man forthrightly stated "As far as I'm concerned, I can't stand homosexuals." Others said that they would not let it affect their impartiality. These were not chosen in the final selection of jurors.

Only one of the four accused, Saul Batech, appeared actively interested in the proceedings. Batech seemed relaxed

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and remarkably healthful after six months in isolation imprisonment. There were frequent consultations between Betesh and his lawyer. Knibbs appeared agitated and restless, and at one point while talking to his lawyer, angry. Occasionally, Woods would speak to Knibbs, who generally remained immobile throughout.

The trial promised to continue to attract widespread publicity as details of the murder come out in testimony. The jury will likely be sequestered in a downtown hotel and deprived of access to the media for the duration of the trial.

by Robin Hardy □

person must undergo a VO test. New information has recently come to light of a raid earlier in the summer of the Dominion Square Tavern, another downtown bar. 25 men were arrested as "round-ups." In January the owner was tried and found guilty of operating a bawdy house.

by Ron Dayman □

Vancouver Sun

Supreme Court to hear GATE appeal

On December 14, 1977, the Supreme Court of Canada agreed to hear its first gay appeal. The Vancouver Gay Alliance Toward Equality (GATE) is contesting the decision of the British Columbia Court of Appeal which ruled against GATE and the British Columbia Human Rights Commission in their case against the Vancouver Sun.

If the Supreme Court of Canada allows the appeal it will be the first case in Canada in which gays are recognized as a minority entitled to protection and rights under Canadian law. A Supreme Court decision sets a precedent which has national significance in legislation and judicial processes in every province in Canada.

The British Columbia Court of Appeal had overturned decisions by the Human Rights Board of Inquiry and the British Columbia Supreme Court which held that the Sun was guilty of discrimination against gays in refusing to publish a classified advertisement for Gay Tide. On November 8, 1977, a three-man tribunal of the Court of Appeal, which included Justice Brian Bratton, ruled in favour of the Sun. GATE refused GATE leave to appeal to the federal court. On November 21, application was made directly to the Supreme Court of Canada.

The application was heard by Chief Justice Bora Laskin and Justices Spence and Estey. GATE's lawyer, Harry Kopyto (one of the lawyers in the Damjen case), in his opening statement to the tribunal said, "The main issue in this appeal is whether homosexuals are excluded from coverage under the BC Human Rights Code."

The case against the Vancouver Sun was based on Section 3(1) of the BC Human Rights Code which states that no one shall deny to any person or class of persons the use of any service customarily available to the public. Under this section, the Sun was found guilty of discrimination. Justice Branca stated that "if the bias [against gays] was honestly entertained, then there was not an unreasonable bias."

A spokesperson for GATE said that Branca's judgement means that "if prejudice exists, that is reason for it to continue to exist... and the reasonable cause provisions of the Human Rights Code are not affected effectively by that." According to BC Human Rights Commission director Kathleen Rutledge, 63% of the human rights cases currently pending are affected by Branca's definition.

The BC Human Rights Commission, which supports GATE and has been represented by leave of the court in each of the preceding appeals, has not yet been granted the right to be represented in this case. The British Columbia Court of Appeals, GATE is thus far appealing alone, and will attempt to maintain basic gay rights issues throughout although "this is increasingly difficult as we go higher in the courts," GATE's lawyer, Kopyto, in a statement to TBP said. "The human rights issue is going to be central and upfront and I'm going to keep hammering away at it."

The appeal may be heard as early as May of 1978.

The appeal is estimated to cost \$8,500 of which \$3,600 has already been raised from the gay community of BC.

by Robin Hardy □

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National

CBC protects gay jobs

CBC management has adopted a new "equal opportunity policy" which guarantees protection to "homosexuals and women" in job protection and equal consideration on employment.

In a letter addressed to all staff, President A.W. Johnson said: "Because of the great importance which I attach to this policy, I want you to let me know personally of its existence and to ensure that it has been copied to the text."

Helen McVey of the CBC office of Equal Opportunity said there have been no situations where the policy has been applied so far. "The policy is there, so there can be no argument." She noted that employees will have "ammunition to openly discuss things with their super-

Ont. Gay Teachers' Caucus

A milestone event occurred recently when a number of gay teachers met near Guelph to form the Ontario Gay Teachers' Caucus. They discussed issues of common concern, including employment protection for gay teachers, problems of gay students, and sex education in the schools.

Gay Friends of Concordia

A new Montreal gay group, Gay Friends of Concordia, meets weekly to inform members of events around the city and to discuss current issues of interest to gays.

Murray Nicoll, president of the group, feels that the organization "is an alternative to gay bars and is more conducive to meeting people, developing relationships, and exchanging ideas." Future plans include featured speakers on specific cultural areas of interest to gay students, such as homosexuality and the Renaissance, or homosexuality and painting.

Univ. of Victoria Gay Club

A new British Columbia group, the University of Victoria Gay Club, has been formed. The representatives are assembly of the student body who ratified the club and agreed to provide funding.

SEARCH Youth Group

The SEARCH Youth Group in Vancouver offers gay people under 21 a place to

meet on a friendly basis. The youth group operates independently of the Society for Education, Action, Research & Consulting in Homosexuality (SEARCH), which provides space for meetings. There are rap sessions, and a "counseling mutual project" for being young and gay. The group initiates social events and provides peer group counseling as well as information on VD and coming out.

Gays at Toronto

A new gay group was formed on the University of Toronto campus. Gays at Toronto (GAT) has been given official recognition by the University administration, making it eligible for financial support and campus space. Students have felt the need for a social and discussion group which was autonomous from the faculty-identified Gay and Lesbian Union. After some discussion forming the new group first came when the U of T Sexual Counselling Centre refused to use gay counselors. GAT is now meeting regularly. Information can be obtained by phoning 923 GAYS.

Parents of Gays Calgary

When Marjorie Crews became angered about recent harassment of gays in Calgary, she decided to form Parents of Gays to promote understanding and education on gay issues.

Mrs. Crews saw an ad in *The Advocate* for a Parents of Gays Association in New York City. Since then she has had help from the NYC group and from Betty Fair-

child, an American organizer and author, MCC minister Lloyd Greewood arranged for Mrs. Crews to speak to the various gay groups in Canada. "Our parents are invited to attend and assist parents who are 'just coming out.' Parents who have learned to accept and understand their children are especially welcome."

Free Lesbians and Gays

Free Lesbians and Gays (FLAG) emerged from the Coalition to Stop Anita Bryant, the group which organized two large demonstrations in Toronto in the summer of 1977. A number of people involved felt there was a continuing need for a loosely-structured organization which could deal with diverse problems of the community and respond to individual initiatives. They felt that the established group seemed to have little energy for immediate problems not related to their long term goals.

A spokesperson described FLAG as "a stepping stone between gays who aren't political and other gay liberation groups."

FLAG is presently organizing a response to the Toronto Sun's attacks on the gay community.

Plans are also underway to present a brief to the Metro Toronto Police to urge an improvement of relations with the gay community. Other FLAG members will meet with bar owners to discuss the problems encountered by people passing out leaflets. □

Damien defense enters fourth year

February marks the third anniversary of John Damien's bring the Canadian Horse Racing Commission to a subservience of their demands to defend John. Damien is launching his Project Pledgecard. "We're looking for 100 Canadians to pledge ten dollars a month for the next year towards John's defense," explained Michael Lynch, Chairperson of the Committee.

Project Pledgecard is being introduced at a gala dinner in Toronto in February. Lynch said in cooperation with the Lesbian Organization of Toronto, the Defense Committee is sponsoring a benefit screening of two films, "In the Best Interests of the Children" and "Gay USA." On the opening night, the films will be followed by a reception for the chairman and a Damien defense dance (see ad, page 10).

The Committee began planning its fourth year of operation at a conference in early December. Several

entertainment fundraisers and a speaker's bureau are included in the plans, along with the pledgecard project.

Officers selected for the committee include Lynch, Brian Doherty, Trevor Montague-Smith, Jim Lewis, and Jim Duncan. One of the first undertakings of the Committee after adopting a constitution last fall was to work out an agreement with the John Damien Foundation which will soon be announced to gay groups in Canada. The Committee has committed itself to raise money for the Legal Defense Fund that is administered by the Foundation.

"I'm glad that this agreement is being worked out and that the two groups will be working together," John Damien recently commented. □

New groups formed

For further information on these new groups, see the Community Page (pg 23).

Sask. Gay Coalition

The Saskatchewan Gay Coalition, the country's third provincial group, was formed at a December 4 meeting in Regina.

The objectives of the new organization are political, social and educational action to ensure full human rights for all gay men and lesbians in Saskatchewan. The Coalition is to be a non-sexist organization in which women will hold at least fifty percent of the decision-making power. In addition to the usual human rights issues of women and gays, the Saskatchewan Gay Coalition has also included among its goals, support for feminist issues of concern to all women.

At present, the Coalition members are the Regina Gay Community, Gay Community Centre of Saskatoon, Gay Academic Council (Saskatoon), Lesbian Caucus of Saskatoon's Women's Liberation and Gay Alliance of Youth (Saskatoon).

Susan Langers of Regina and Doug Wilson of Saskatoon were chosen co-ordinators, with Kay Bierwirth and Wiesie Koslinski of Saskatoon and Terry Nelson and Marg Taylor of Regina as an ad hoc steering committee.

Report to Pink Triangle supporters. 1

We have this problem

January, February and March are the months when Pink Triangle Press regularly asks its supporters to donate money for the ongoing operations of the press. This year, as part of that effort, we decided we would make a series of reports on our activities. We thought it would be good to show how our money has been used, how it has helped us to grow, allowed us to do other essential movement work, and encouraged us to plan for the coming years.

But, at the moment, we have this problem. Our office has been raided, many of our files seized, and our equipment taken. Pink Triangle has been charged under two obscenity statutes. You can read all about it elsewhere in this issue.

It promises to be a long and expensive battle. A committee has been organized to help in the defense, and to raise money for legal costs. So suddenly it may seem like a lot of *Body Politic* fund-raising gets done when you feel let down — asked for money more than once. We hope you'll understand.

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Which leads us to the other problem we have. The defense fund can only be used for legal costs. But the defense committee has to operate on a day-to-day basis: printing letters, flyers and posters and mailing them; making

phone calls; putting out press releases; organizing fund-raising events; and taking out ads. The money for all of that has to come out of the operating budget of Pink Triangle Press. This is the way we wanted it. If the

money for those activities has to come from an already poor organization we are more likely to proceed carefully. Experience in other defense funds shows that this is the case. Large amounts of money can easily be spent on apparently good ideas, but with little effect. That seems unfair to donors, and that is one way to avoid it.

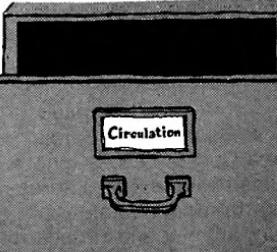
The big problem, then, is that this year Pink Triangle Press is going to have to raise more money than ever before. Response to the last fund-raising has always been good. (Reports in the next three *BPP*'s will explain what we've done and what we hope to do with the money raised.) We still need as much as ever for ongoing operations.

Now we're asking for the defense fund activities too. Our defense committee that the case will be a long one, legal costs may be as much as \$10,000. To raise that much money we estimate that the defense committee will require at least \$2,000 this year.

So we're asking you, if you can, to be more generous than usual in your donations. We have already given to the Fund. The Body Politic we want to say thank you. If you can give again — and we're aware that maybe you can't — we'd appreciate it.

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Confessions of a lunchroom subversive

Riding home on the subway one afternoon last year Pam, a friend and fellow worker, confided to me that she would never have guessed I was gay "except for the way you talk so openly about yourself as a lesbian." I was flattered. I'm not used to a barbed "compliment" the way that remark often is. It was an admission that lesbians weren't really part of her daily experience.

Pam and I two other straight women, Marilyn and Mary Lynn, shared a table in the lunchroom at work for about a year. We also shared each other's company. I wanted to edit this column—it's a down hill it's because she no longer works with me, good conversation, humour and the occasional after-work get together. My experiences, opinions and perspective as a lesbian and an activist were a legitimate part of our exchange. It was, and is, a good feel.

Soon after Anita Bryant's anti-gay message hit the media, Marilyn came bustling into the lunchroom and threw a copy of the Sun on the table. "What can we do about this woman?" She wanted to demonstrate. "I carry a sign for you." She and Mary Lynn and I all decided to caught up the anti-Bryant slogan: "A day without human rights is a day without sunshine." Three straight women wanted to do something about! gay rights!

Six months later, Anita Bryant showed up in Toronto. It was a bitterly cold Sunday night, but we all gathered in inspite of the cold. Pam and Marilyn were there!

After the demonstration Marilyn and I sat down at the lunch table to compare our impressions. Mary Lynn and Pam have gone on to bigger and better things (freelancing and travel) so we share the table now.

Marilyn said she'd come to the demonstration because she disagrees with Anita Bryant's views on gay rights. Really for two reasons. Because of Bryant's crusade against homosexual rights and because of her beliefs concerning women—especially with regard to abortion."

She was impressed with the feminist emphasis of the demonstration. "It was a positive step to have the two groups (gays and feminists) join together. A demonstration like this says, is something contrary to her upbringing. She was brought up to believe in established channels. She feels that demonstrating puts a person one step closer to violence, something she has always tried to avoid. But as she talked about her experiences that Sunday night it became clear to me where that feeling had come from. She felt that the demonstrators were necessarily violent, but that their opponents certainly can be.

Despite the risks, Marilyn now feels it's important to demonstrate. "There are at least two sides to every issue. It is the responsibility of people who hold beliefs to stand up for them." In this case she felt it was important to show Toronto that not all straights think like Anita Bryant.

Being able to show that depends partly on getting publicity. That was the source of a whole education, too. The media easily down-played and distorted what was happening that weekend. "Television didn't exactly give us equal time with Anita," Marilyn said, "and the newspapers would have had everyone believe there were only gay people on

those demonstrations. There were lots of non-gay supporters besides Pam and me."

I asked Marilyn how she felt about being in a minority—meaning a straight person on a predominantly gay demonstration. But she took the question a different way—she was one of a minority of people who had dared to take a vocal and visible stand against Anita Bryant.

Her strongest reaction seemed to be to try to make the most of it. To those who stood and bashed, trying to provoke the demonstrators. "It was my first real, concrete involvement doing anything for the gay movement. I was glad I did, but I felt frightened by the reaction of some of the observers. I guess now I've felt the intimidation that gay people must face all the time." She felt not so much a minority among gay people, but, for a while, some of what's to be a part of the gay minority.

Like many of us that night, she was impressed that the demonstration was very well marshalled. The provocateurs were probably disappointed. As she put it, "the demonstrators showed remarkable self-control."

But she thought that any of the marchers was offensive? "Not really.

The chants were a bit boring—repetitive,

and too much like high school cheering. Actually, I made one up myself. 1, 2, 3, 4 Renaissance is wrong once more; 5, 6, 7, 8 Renaissance dis-criminates. But nobody wanted to chant it."

Going home after the demonstration was an experience in itself, at least for those of us who look the TTC. Thirty of us—the stragglers that I was—with—eventually took over a bus and then a subway car. We sang "offensive" songs, lead by rowdy East York dykes from the Gay Officers' Club. We'll tell the way we got home to you. When the group split to go east and west we were a bit nervous, but still singing and chanting. The TTC didn't know what had hit it.

Marilyn and Pam were among a group that walked to the subway—one and a quarter miles through the wilds of North York. Marilyn said the spirit was high and she felt a lot safer than she would have had they been alone. But news was still due by telephone calls or postcards by who knew or assumed they had been among the demonstrators.

"When people in our group were chanting on the subway there was one creep that Pam pointed out to me who looked like he could have gotten violent. He was muttering under his breath about us being sick, that kind of shit. Most people just ignored him. I think he was just all alone. When we got to Yonge and Bloor there were these two punks that I recognized, from outside the church, hanging around the station. They had been really belligerent before and still seemed to be looking for trouble. I don't know, maybe I was just being super-sensitive, I'm not used to this kind of treatment and hostility."

When I asked Marilyn if she would do it again she said, "Yes, definitely" without hesitation.

Lesbians are not alien to these two women any longer. Our community and our rights are a part of their very real concerns now. And all because of what was once a very strange phenomenon on the other side of the lunch table.

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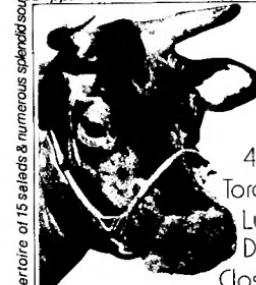
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ANALYSIS

A Smothering Compacency

"The purpose of journalism or of any other means of communication is, in the last analysis, understanding," Sours, the first sentence of the introduction to a book published late last year by the Canadian Daily Newspaper Publishers Association. It's just as well the CDNPA decided to leave that introduction blank — what, left unanswered, readers could have otherwise detected that high purpose at work in the pages of their daily paper.

A recent column (Jan. 17) by *The Globe and Mail's* provincial affairs columnist, Norman Webster, is worth considering in this light. In it Webster states that, in the question of amending human rights legislation, the government's "not equal employment and housing rights for gays

— these real issues, says Webster, is whether "gay is twice as good as straight." Webster knows this because that's what "the gay community" chanted outside People's Church while Anita Pallenberg peddled orange juice inside.

In a progression of similarly indiscriminate caricatures, Webster armwrestles his finger-wagging climax:

"But if that right is to include proselytizing or the teaching of homosexuality in the schools by homosexual instructors or swinging adult males having affairs with young boys — all things loudly demanded by militants in the movement, — then forget it. It's just not on."

Most gay people in this country — in this movement — do not regard themselves or anyone else in this description. It would be easy to conclude that, whatever the CDNPA may intone, the purpose of Webster's journalism is not understanding, but calculated misrepresentation.

I called Webster a few days after his column appeared. It seemed only fair that I should attempt to understand why he wrote what he did before coming to any conclusions.

I asked him which "militants in the movement" were "loudly demanding" the "teaching of homosexuality in the schools by homosexual instructors." He replied he heard that at an all-candidates meeting sponsored by the Gay Alliance Toward Equality during the 1977 Ontario election campaign.

I then asked him if this particular meeting had made this particular demand. This is an important point, since anyone can walk into such a gathering off the street. He said "some spokespersons for gay organizations" had presented the demand.

I asked Webster which groups these spokespersons claimed to represent. Journalist Webster couldn't remember.

Finally, I asked him whether he had spoken with any representatives of the gay movement before writing his column. Webster responded quite casually, as if he weren't condemning himself out of his own mouth, that he hadn't been at the demonstration at People's Church earlier.

Here we have a journalist, a respected one, I suppose, calmly admitting that he wrote a column purporting to discuss "the heart of the current debate" over gay rights without a shred of investigation or evidence. And he does this after his story on my first exchange with Webster that he is a malicious man who is using his platform to deliberately distort the public image of the gay movement.

The key to Webster's attitude is to be found, I think, in a column published earlier this year in which he excuses himself and his fellow journalists for undercovering the Ontario NDP leadership race on the grounds that the party didn't deserve to get people interested in it. That's what's at the core of journalism; it's not his job to cover the NDP; rather, it's up to the NDP to interest him.

What we have to deal with here is not bigotry, but a smothering compacency which excels speculation over investigation. How much easier to interpret the gay movement in a framework of ready-to-hand stereotypes and myths than to face the reality of the gay movement. As I argued in this spring, journalism simply rationalizes prejudice and becomes propaganda for the status quo.

by Ken Poper

February

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And that's what they got. At least, that's what they made it look like. In reality, it took quite a few weeks to get the professor, researcher, engineer, All that is true. But what they didn't mention is that every person in the picture except two either is now or has been actively involved in the gay liberation movement.

Just for kicks, here's a revised caption to the photo:

1. Ian Young, a co-founder of Canada's first gay lib group, the University of Toronto Homophile Association; founder of the gay publishing house, Catalyst Press; president of the Canadian Gay News Media Association.
2. Trevor Mountjoy-Smith, member of the Gay Alliance toward Equality; secretary of the Committee to Defend John Danier.
3. Michael Lynch, regular columnist for *Body Politic*, and former collector of *Body Politic*. The gay political action chairperson of the Committee to Defend John Danier.
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5. Jim Gorman, active in Gay Academic Union, an entry volunteer with the Canadian Gay Archives.
6. Clarence Barnes, member of the Gay Academic Union and an occasional news writer for *The Body Politic*.

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The last month of 1977 saw the most upbeat and extensive coverage of gay issues in Canada ever. "Gay in the Seventies," written by gay poet/publisher Ian Young, appeared in *Weekend* Magazine on December 17. The magazine, carried by thirty-two newspapers across Canada, has a circulation of 1.7 million.

Young's straightforward account of gay social and political progress in the last ten years was accompanied by two photographs. Inside, there was a double page spread of twenty-one smiling gay men. On the cover, however, the two men on the cover were two unidentified males, one intense and alluring, the other, tight-lipped and cautious. Both wore gold chains and their shirts open to the fourth button.

When asked by *The Body Politic* if there were any explanation for the marked difference in tone between the two photos, *Weekend* editor John Macrae said he had no idea who was chosen by the magazine's art director and that he himself had not noticed any such difference and was pleased with both of them. The cover was shot by a New York photographer, Sam MacLaine. "The citizenship of the subjects didn't seem to matter."

Before publication, the text of the article with the subject of much discussion was read to the magazine's managing editor, Judy Stoffman, and people concerned about such things as adequate coverage of lesbian concerns. Editorial assistant Linda Watson told *The Body Politic* that the article elicited a large response from its readership, somewhere between 100 and 200 letters,

5. Rosemary Barnes, an active member of the Lesbian Community of Ottawa (LCO).

6. John Lee, head of the early Toronto Gay Academic Union.

7. Rose Shearer, an early and very active member of the Community Homophile Association of Toronto (CHAT), the city's biggest and most important gay group in the late sixties.

8. Marc Robertson, a former member of Gays of Ottawa, presently active with Lesbians of Ottawa Now (LOBT).

9. Mark Whitehead, co-founder and still co-chair of Gay Youth Toronto, and a former member of the Community Homophile Association of Ottawa.

10. Stuart Hill, another co-founder of the University of Toronto Homophile Association, and one of the people who helped start Gays of Ottawa.

11. Eddie Friesenbergh, writer on the sociology of homosexuality.

12. Timmy Hoy, active in the Gay Academic Union, an entry volunteer with the Canadian Gay Archives.

13. David Gibbons, past secretary of the Committee to Defend John Danier, news editor and collective member of *The Body Politic*.

14. Jim Gorman, active in Gays of Ottawa; former coordinator of the National Gay Rights Coalition. The Body Politic's Ottawa news correspondent.

15. Clarence Barnes, member of the Gay Academic Union and an occasional news writer for *The Body Politic*.

compared to an average response of 3-5. Readers' reactions were largely negative.

Easy the national magazine's longest and largest presentation of a gay spokesperson came on Sunday, January 21, when CBC Radio's Cross Country Checkup featured Ottawa's Charlie Hill, pictured in *Weekend* Magazine's photograph, paraded with confidence from coast to coast, country, to calculate, using their biblical hermeneutics. Among them were two with whom he didn't party: Rev. Joanna Monti from Montreal's Metropolitan Community Church, and Gordon Fairweather, Chief Commissioner for the Canadian Human Rights Commission.

Canadian novelist Timothy Findley, author of *The Last of the Crazy People*, *The Butterly Plague*, and most recently, *The Wars*, is profiled in the December issue of *Quill and Quire*, a trade paper for the Canadian book industry. Talking about his homosexuality, Findley is quoted as saying: "I've solved it as far as I'm concerned but there are so many young people who can be helped by this macho, irresponsible Bryant woman."

On January 16, Ontario's tax-supported educational television network, TVOntario, demonstrated that it was not above enlisting sensational, rabble-rousing bigotry to attract an audience. On that night, *Speaking Out*, a weekly forum on controversial subjects, had a discussion of moral standards for teachers. Having failed to land the big one, Anila Bryant, the network provided another opportunity for *Toronto Sun* columnist Claire Hoy to practice what she has become best known for — malicious attacks on gays. Other

Politics

5. Ed Jackson, collective member of *The Body Politic* since 1972, the person who has built the "Our Image" section of the paper. Also one of those charged by the police in the current insanity.

17. Thomas Faubert, active in the Revolutionary Workers' League, a gay-left group; she was the RWL's candidate in the last provincial election, running directly against the Premier.

18. Konnie Reich, active with Lesbian Organization of Toronto (LOBT); a member of the Dykes on Bikes — they're putting together a cable TV program called "This Program may be Offensive to Heterosexuals."

19. Stuart Russell, very active with the Association pour les droits des gais de Québec, and *The Body Politic's* very diligent Montreal Correspondent.

20. Debbie Parent, a member of Lesbians of Ottawa Now.

21. Chris Beuchell, dyke dynamo, busy day and night as a member of the Lesbian Organization of Toronto, the Gay Academic Union, the Dykes on Bikes, the Association for Women, and, most recently, the BODY POLITICS FREE THE PRESS FUND. She usually writes the "Dykes" column in *The Body Politic*.

All busy busy gay activists. Why are these people smiling? Take a guess.

guests included broadcaster/journalist Warner Troyer and a separate school teacher from Peterborough. White suggested that the most important question of moral standards — that Rob Parker made some effort to steer discussion in that direction — the program became a debate about Hoy and Troyer that focussed on homosexuality. Not unexpected, since the half-hour had its openers clasp from a press conference with Bryant during which Parker asked her if she would prefer to have her children taught by competent homosexuals or incompetent heterosexuals. Bryant opted for incompetent heterosexuals.

Viewers at home were able to vote by phone on the question, "Should teachers be fired for their private life or sexual preference?" By the end of the program, more people had responded than no. A final tally, however, of all votes received showed 1,231 answering yes; 1,036 no. The numbers are misleading in view of the fact that any one person could vote as many times as she/he could. Parker could not require telephone lines.

"A Sinner to Emanuel" (Toronto Life) December 1977 offers further evidence that the shortest distance between an obsession and a universal truth is Philip Marchand. Saying very little about Emanuel Jaques, a boy murdered in Toronto last summer, or his family, Marchand traces the history of Azorean people since the fifteenth century.

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In a police state the information outlets are closed down one by one until a single "correct" picture of reality fits the mold. Then, day and night, nothing else. But here we still have several choices, though by and large if you disregard the style most of them become alarmingly consistent in purpose and content, proselytizing the good life of obedient unthinking consumer. In a police state distortion of reality is the only way to get people to select or misinterpret to construct and disseminate one "truth," which changes not with the natural flow of reality but only with the imprimatur of authority. Here the majority of media managers and most of the people who write and broadcast for them and heading resolutely in their direction, some even willing to go to jail there first, others sliding inertly behind; but they aren't there yet. Here we can still listen to independent voices taking reality, questioning, challenging authority, resisting distortion. Some of them still have their jobs.

In a police state education has one aim: to instill fear and force conformity to the single dictated system of thought and action. Curiosity, independence and rebellion are seen as dangerous threats to be isolated and eliminated swiftly and ruthlessly before they can spread. People are processed for and channeled into one of three functions: to state, to mind-masturbate, to toe the maintenance of authority. Alternative views and possibilities are presented only in ways that render them incredible, ridiculous or frightening. Sexuality, like all other aspects of human nature and behaviour, is directed to serve the present needs of the state — population, work-force, army, priesthood, masterservants. Those who are fortunate, determined and brave enough, we can still discover alternatives, almost always outside the schools; we still have a few bookstores, books, people suggesting and encouraging possibilities for growth, ways of living and of resisting enforced and crippling conformity.

In a police state, religion is only useful as long as it convinces the masses that both its authority — divine or political, it's all the same — is the only path to contentment and salvation, or if you like, to survival. Individual or collective responsibility, independent judgement or action are out. But here we still have members of the clergy who rate people above converts, conscience above dogma, and free will above blind obedience. Most of them are out-of-church.

In a police state the legislature or parliament, if it exists, is a rubber stamp. It is presented with new laws, *fais accomplis*, and it can choose between immediate passage or passage after a bit of debate. It is a theatrical event, pomp and circumstance; everyone knows the decisions are made elsewhere, usually with the help of their representatives who continue to say the same things after their elections as before, and who at least appear to work at representing as many of their constituents as they can, trying to find the subtle point between leading and following. How many of these have we? You can count as well as I can.

In a police state the law and the

courts exist not to mediate between differing views, nor to maintain a balance of justice, but to maintain the will of authority. A law is not measured by its justness but by its usefulness, nothing more. Here, on the other hand, we have Attorneys-General who, even if they don't respect either the letter or the spirit of the law or who can't reverse it fast enough, will do their best to make it still somewhat inhibited by it. And here we still have lawyers and judges who can distinguish between authority and justice, between order and reason, who still act more from principle than from a craving for power or profit. An entire counter weight to the power of the legal system must be the happy accident.

A natural feeling of the human race: we are incapable of reproducing what we do best — thank goodness we can be original — but we excel at reproducing our worst mistakes. Very often the people preaching "save our children" most studiously have no answer whatsoever to the question of the sanctity of their own child. These are people working desperately to save themselves — or their limited visions of humanity — or at least to mold their children, while they are still pliable, into vessels for their own ignorance and failed hopes. These are the people we least need more of: people who are unable to conceive of human beings altered over the better or freer lives of others, people least equipped to build or create anything of enduring value. These are the people who thrive best in the simple closed circle of a police state. For them the schools and laws and police, the courts and the media, the society of a totalitarian state reinforce their beliefs and values, can be frozen, their temporary and forgettable moment of life preserved: immortality. By acceding to the will of such people our "civilization" doesn't save or protect its children; it merely guarantees the continuum of its worst mistakes and its most destructive diseases: its Hitlers, its Stalins, its Ku Klux Klans, its Nazis, its Chartist Communists, Mary Whitehouse, John Briggs, its Renaissance Committees, its Committees Against Homosexual Rights.

Legislation, its Pope Pauls, its Phyllis Schlaflys and Rev Joseph McDonalds, its executioners, torturers, bigots and hypocrites.

We do not live in a police state. We do live in a society composed of people working toward a police state, people willing to finance a police state, people working against it, people who can't imagine it, people who don't believe it could happen, here, and people who don't care. Those working toward a police state are enthusiastic, energetic, organized and lavishly financed, for the People's Church to spring \$5000 and more into the campaign of a man who nothing, there's a bankroll much from where that came from. They know exactly what they want and have no scruples about how they get it. They operate best in the dark, they tend to take small steps until they are confident. They build on ignorance, helplessness and lassitude in the majority, confusion and dissension among the resistance.

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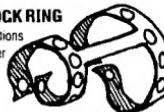


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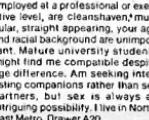
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Roslyn, 1065 Bloor St. W.

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